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June 1, 2004

Carol Comeau
Superintendent
Anchorage School District
P.O. Box 196614
Anchorage, AK 99519-6614

RE: Complaint Investigation # 04-14

Dear Superintendent Comeau:

This letter is to inform you of a complaint filed with the Department of Education & Early Development, Special Education Programs, by Jill Simmons on behalf of NS for the following reasons:

1. Whether or not the district failed to provide transportation as per the IEP.

The complaint investigator assigned to this case is DiAnn Brown. DiAnn will be contacting you in the near future. A final report of the investigation will be sent to you in approximately 60 days. If you would like a copy of the original complaint letter, please call me at 907 465-2824. Thank you in advance for your cooperation with this investigation.

Sincerely,

Sharon Schumacher
Program Manager

cc: Jerry Sjolander, Special Education Director
Jill Simmons, Parent
DiAnn Brown, Complaint Investigator
Complaint file, AK EED # 04-14

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Jill Simmons
7721 Evander Drive
Anchorage, AK 99518

RE: CI # 04-14

Dear Jill Simmons:

This letter is in response to your letter of official complaint to the Department of Education & Early Development, Special Education Programs, requesting an investigation of the 6/1/2004. The Department received your signed/faxed letter and clarified the issues presented in your letter through discussion on 6/1/2004. The clarified issues are as follows:

1. Whether or not the district failed to provide transportation as per the IEP.

The complaint investigator assigned to this complaint, is DiAnn Brown. DiAnn will be contacting you in the near future. A final report of the investigation will be sent to you in approximately 60 days. Thank you in advance for your cooperation with this investigation.

Sincerely,

Sharon Schumacher
Program Manager

cc: Carol Comeau, School District – Superintendent
Jerry Sjolander, Special Education Director
DiAnn Brown, Complaint Investigator
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ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF
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Division of Teaching and Learning Support
801 West 10th Street, Suite 200
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DATE: June 1, 2004

TO	
Name:	<u>Jill Simmons</u>
Agency/Office:	
FAX #:	<u>907-344-3134</u>
Phone #:	<u>907-563-4874</u>
Work Ph#:	

FROM	
Name:	<u>Sharon Schumacher</u>
	<u>Program Manager</u>
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Phone #:	<u>907 465-2824</u>

RE: CI # 04-14

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Alaska Department of Education & Early Development
Division of Teaching and Learning Support/Special Education Services

COMPLAINT INVESTIGATION REPORT

Complaint number: CI #04-14

Complaint filed by: Parent

Complaint investigator: DiAnn Brown

Complaint Issues:

Whether or not the district failed to provide transportation in accordance with the IEP

Interviews

Name	Relationship to the student	Date
Jerry Sjolander	Executive Director, Special Education	6/7/04
Dana Dugdale	Elementary Special Education Supervisor	6/10/04 7/12/04 7/13/04
Parent	Parent	6/29/04 (message) 7/10/04
Linda Schwald	Transportation Supervisor	7/15/04

Documents Received by Investigator from:

Department of Education & Early Development

- Letter of complaint, dated May 31, 2004 and supporting documents:
 - ✓ Prior Written Notice, dated November 6, 2003
 - ✓ Prior Written Notice, dated May 18, 2004
 - ✓ Prior Written Notice, dated May 20, 2004
 - ✓ Prior Written Notice, dated May 28, 2004
 - ✓ Prior Written Notice, dated May 28, 2004
- Complaint Intake Form, dated June 1, 2004
- Letter from the Department to the complainant, dated June 1, 2004
- Letter from the Department to the School District Superintendent, dated June 1, 2004

Anchorage School District

- IEP dated January 22, 2004
- IEP Amendment, dated May 28, 2004
- Prior Written Notice, dated May 28, 2004

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